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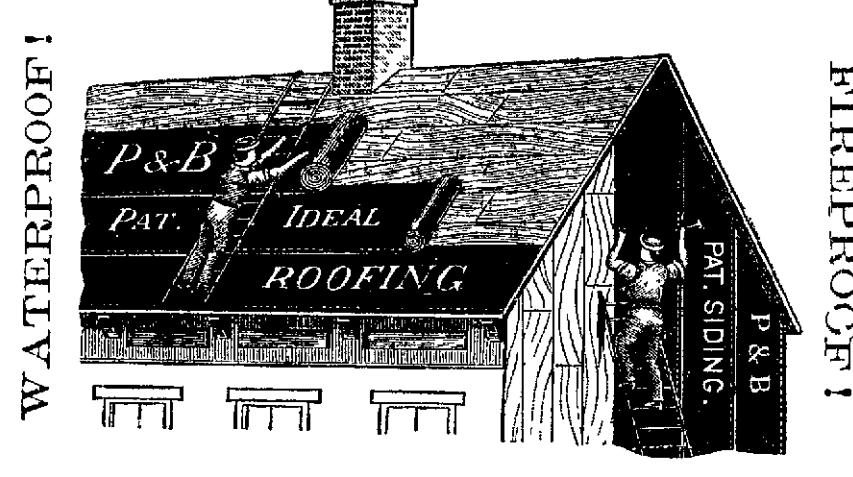
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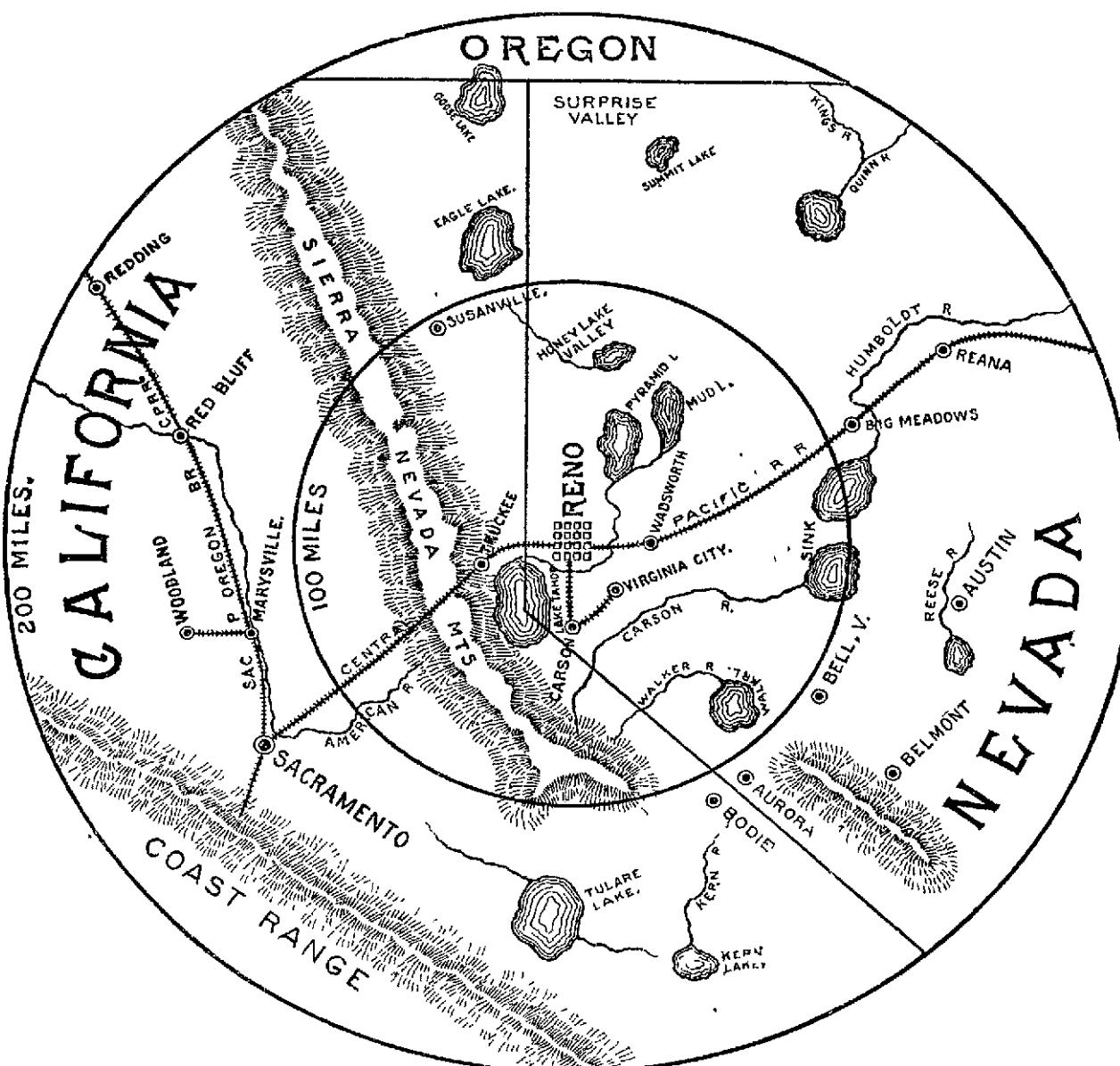
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THURSDAY.....JULY 14, 1887.

FOR PRESIDENT IN 1888,

**JAMES G. BLAINE,
OF MAINE,**

Subject to the decision of the Republican National Convention.

"We always have the American flag above us and not below us."—James G. Blaine.

General Black, President of the Board of Managers of the National Soldiers' Home, says the contemplated California trip of that body will not be definitely agreed upon until their next meeting in New York, about two months hence. It is probable, however, that the members of the Board will start for the Pacific slope in October. He says that the selection of a new site for the new Soldiers' Home in California will be carefully considered before final action is taken. The place offering the best sanitary conditions and accessibility will be selected by the Board. Its members will, however, be open to conviction, and would be glad to receive suggestions in regard to the matter, in order that they may be guided in their decision by an intelligent understanding of the situation.

The Idaho Recorder says.

Senator Stewart is not satisfied with having Idaho cut up and apportioned among her neighbors, but he wants Wyoming wiped out also, so that the West will lose four votes in the United States Senate which she has in the prospective. If there is anything else the East wants Senator Stewart to do, let it be known. Would it not be as well for the Senator to change his residence to New York or Boston, so as to be nearer the goldites and other monopolists he represents? Go East, Senator, go East.

Emperor William will arrive in Gaston on Monday. During his stay he will make the Bodacious Hotel his headquarters. In that hotel, on the 24th instant, he will meet Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria. Until this meeting the policy to be adopted to prevent the election of Prince Ferdinand as Prince of Bulgaria will not be determined.

The San Francisco Call thinks "Thurman and Hill would make a strong ticket. It would relieve the labor organizations from any necessity of taking a hand in the next presidential campaign. In this respect it would do what no other ticket can do."

It is the belief of the officials, in view of the threatened danger of a serious contraction of the currency, that one of the first things done at the next meeting of Congress will be the perfection of a plan for the stoppage of accumulation of further surplus.

There is to be a meeting of the members of the Idaho press at Great Shoshone Falls on Wednesday, August 10th, for the purpose of discussing the questions of segregation and annexation. The meeting bids fair to be one of great importance.

New Mexico is anxious for the settlement of the disputed land claims within her border, so that immigrants could, with safety, establish themselves in that Territory. A strong effort is now being made to induce people to settle there.

The Mayor of St. Louis has issued an address to the citizens of Missouri, requesting every county in the State to appoint one or more representatives to join the St. Louis Committee in their trip to Washington to urge the President's visit.

The Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, has ousted John N. Oliver, a Justice of the Peace, who resisted the right of the President to remove him, and claimed he could be displaced from office only by the District Supreme Court.

Senator Jones says Blaine is the strongest man the Republicans can nominate in '88. If nominated, he will beat Cleveland a million.

It is said that Secretary Bayard is in very poor health. His face is exceedingly pale and he has long periods of extreme exhaustion.

General Sherman and General Slocom will be candidates for Commandant of the G. A. R. at the St. Louis Encampment.

The Cleveland Plaindealer proposes Cleveland for President and General Stevenson, of Illinois, for Vice-President.

Many people do not know why there are so few flies in Boston. It is because the overhead wires are so numerous there that the flies can't get in.

HEALTH OF CALIFORNIA.

Some Timely Remarks Regarding Prevailing Diseases.

In the health circular for June, Dr. G. G. Tyrrell, Permanent Secretary of the California State Board of Health, says:

Mortality reports have been received from seventy-five cities and towns this month, containing an estimated population of six hundred and seven thousand one hundred inhabitants. The deaths number eight hundred and one, a percentage for the month of 1.3, which indicates continuance of the general healthfulness of the State, and an absence of any fatal epidemic.

Consumption, as usual, fills a large measure of our mortality list, 121 deaths being recorded from this cause during the month, which, however, is a large decrease from the preceding month's report. The apparent large mortality from consumption must be attributed to the large immigration into this State of those whose lungs are so hopelessly diseased as to render their death certain soon after their advent to these shores. Another factor, which must be considered as a contributor to the frequency of consumption on this coast, is the fact that consumptives rarely take any precaution to limit the disease to themselves. Consumptives should not be permitted to sleep in the same room with well persons, their sputa should be thoroughly disinfected, and every sanitary precaution taken to destroy all sources of contagion in those affected.

The death-rate from diphtheria continues about the same, there being 22 deaths recorded this month. Eleven deaths took place in San Francisco, three in Sacramento, two in Oakland, one each in Amador, Los Angeles, Petaluma, Napa, Oroville and Eureka. We find that the diseases most frequently mentioned, as might have been anticipated at this season of the year, were diarrhoea, dysentery and cholera infantum. The warm weather which prevailed, together with the abundance of fresh fruit and vegetables, contributed in no small degree to the increase of these diseases. That high temperature has a great influence in inducing looseness of the bowels, is generally conceded; still there are good reasons for believing that a polluted atmosphere, and food contaminated by absorbing the pollutions contained therein, are the direct causes. This is especially true of milk, which has a remarkable affinity for impurities. "It is well known," says Dr. Kennedy, "that milk placed in a pantry or cellar with tainted meat, cheese or decaying vegetables, will soon become so deteriorated that no milk-drinking animal will touch it, except the human baby, that has no choice but to drink it or starve." Death lurks in such food, and the fearful mortality among children amply demonstrates it. Perhaps it would not be unwise, during the summer season, to warn the public, through its medical advisers, that poisoning by stale animal food is a frequent occurrence in warm weather. It was discovered by Senni some years since that decomposition of animal matter gives rise to a very virulent poison, the absorption of which into the system may cause speedy death. It remained, however, for M. Gantier to discover that every living organism is continually manufacturing alkaloid poisons, which he calls "Leucocamines," which, in normal health, are so small in quantity, and so regularly eliminated from the body, that no harm arises from their effects, but should this elimination be arrested, hindered or delayed, the renewal of the tissues must be equally so, and thus self-poisoning takes place from the accumulation of these poisonous alkaloids in the blood. Hence, he thinks, arises many of those infectious diseases, the origin of which we cannot trace. The lesson to be derived from this important discovery is, that want of cleanliness, privation, over fatigue, irregularity of living, or anything that disturbs the normal functions of the body, is liable to be followed by the development of disease, and that all food consumed should be perfectly fresh, and without suspicion of taint of any kind.

Smallpox prevails to some degree in San Francisco. We are not informed by the Health Officer of the actual number of cases, but they are certainly, so far, limited. Advices have been received of the development of cases in the town of Irvington, one of them quite severely attacked. They will be promptly isolated and quarantined, so that no danger need be apprehended. Vigilance in isolating and quarantining the disease wherever found, together with thorough vaccination of the well, will surely prevent it from getting a foothold in our midst. All cases occurring, whether in the palace of the rich or the shanty of the poor, should be at once reported to the nearest health officer. To neglect this duty is criminal, and ought to be punished.

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ONLY ONE PARTY.

Henry George & Co. Imagine They Have Things all Their own Way.

New York, July 11th.—A house-to-house canvass is being made by the United Labor (or Henry George) party, preparatory to the election of delegates to the Syracuse Convention. McMackin expects to be able to announce to the Convention that the United Labor party is sure of carrying most of the Assembly Districts of New York, and securing the District Attorneyship and a majority of the Board of Alderman. So sure are the Labor men of carrying their districts that they will run a straight Labor ticket, and neither seek nor countenance any combinations.

THE SECRETS OF THE EYES.

Generally speaking, blue eyes signify constancy and devotion to friends.

Black eyes denote as a rule sensuous character and an inconstant, fickle disposition. However there are some noted exceptions.

The main characteristics of the violet eye, which is called the woman's eye, are affection and purity, chivalric belief, and limited or deficient intellectuality.

Gray eyes are the most expressive of all eyes and denote strong qualities of mind and soul. Persons with gray eyes usually have a great deal of patriotism.

Self-satisfaction and conceit are commonly the characteristic traits represented by the green eye. When the tinge verges on yellowishness it denotes that the possessor is gifted with strong powers of imagination.

The very light blue eye is characteristic of the Northern races, and in a woman it suggests constancy and truth, steadfastness, courage and purpose. In a man it is apt to denote a phlegmatic disposition.

Brown eyes are the eyes of the South and East, and denote, as a general rule, passion and lack of originality. In women they mean jealousy and cruelty very often, and in men courage, superstition and mild recklessness.

Hazel is a very difficult color to determine, there are so many different varieties.

As a general rule eyes of this color suggest a good deal of strength of character and generally a sense of mischief and trickery.

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Croquet sets at Nasby's.
Baby carriages at Nasby's.
Baseball supplies at Nasby's.
"Among the Pines" to-night.
Lubin's perfumery at Nasby's.
Cigars and tobacco at Nasby's.
Gen. Clarke went below last night.
White labor 5-cent cigars at Nasby's.
The work on the sewers goes bravely on.
The days are pleasant, and the nights cool.
A large crowd will go to Donner this morning.
A full and complete line of stationery at Nasby's.
Jack Connery was down from Truckee yesterday.
Judge Mesick was a passenger for the Bay last night.
J. H. Sackett is canvassing for Logan's book. Subscribe for it.
Mrs. Rountree departed for Santa Cruz on last evening's train.
L. W. Getchell, of Austin, is just recovering from a severe illness.
Supt. Patten came down from Virginia last night en route below.
Go to Osburn & Shoemaker's and try a glass of "Moxie" and soda, the nerve food.
Standard Nerve Food a healthful drink. Geo. Becker, agent, Reno, Nevada.
Robert O'Neal, of Paradise, offers 7,000 sheep for sale, with or without range.

Dr. Thoma has gone to the Bay, and rumor has it will return with Mrs. Thoma.

J. S. Shoemaker left for California yesterday morning. He will return in a few days.

Eddie Northrop and wife have arrived home, and are warmly congratulated by friends.

Dr. Prentiss is doing a land office business at the Lake House. He is a master of his profession.

Miss Nelie Ash arrived from Lovelock last evening, her school having been given the Summer vacation.

Joe Reynolds, an old timer of Eureka and Austin, is over from California, and says it is good to smell the sagebrush.

Wm. M. Anderson left for Santa Barbara yesterday morning. He intends a general trip over Southern California.

Stocks were off yesterday afternoon. Crown Point touched 20 in the morning, but receded to 17, and Belcher dropped from 16 to 14½.

Reno does not deserve to have first-class theatrical companies unless it patronizes such a troupe as the Cooper-Edmonds. Do not fail to go to-night.

Judge Leonard and wife came down from Carson last night on their way to Vermont and Massachusetts to spend two months with old friends. They will leave on this morning's train.

Prof. Zimmer, Hyman and Polly Frederick, and Miss Ferguson furnished the music at the theater last night. They make a No. 1 orchestra and the music was an additional treat.

The performance last night was one of the best ever given in Reno. Miss Woodthorpe, Miss Mai Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Edmonds, F. A. Cooper and, in fact, all the others did very well, and deservedly received round after round of applause. They deserve a crowded house to-night.

"Among the Pines" is one of Bret Harte's best border pieces, in which Miss Georgie Woodthorpe takes the part of an ignorant mountain girl known as the "Little Butterfly." She has never been equalled in the part. Those who miss to-night's performance will miss a genuine theatrical treat. Those who attend will be delighted. In addition the music of the orchestra will be a pleasant feature.

HE DRANK TOO MUCH ICE WATER.—Ralph Sharp, a ranch hand, the other day near Woodland drank so much ice water that lock jaw resulted. A San Francisco surgeon has treated the lock-jaw victim so that he can open his jaws nearly one-fourth of an inch which allows him to talk and swallow soup, meat and gruel. It is thought that if a cold does not set in Sharp will in the course of time recover.

COUNTY FINANCES.—The quarterly reports of the Auditor and Treasurer, for the quarter ending June 30th, show receipts of \$6,710 25, and disbursements of \$20,006 92, leaving cash on hand, \$12,755 59. The total liabilities of the county upon that date amounted to \$22,376 61.

A MOTHER WHEELING HER BABY OVER A WIRE

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ADVERTISED LETTERS.—The following is a list of advertised letters remaining uncalled for in the Reno, Nevada, Post-office Saturday, July 9, 1887:

Alexander, Mrs H. Larson, W. T. Brown, M. T. Buckins, Mrs W. H. Merrill, Mrs H. T. Czapla, E. T. Clark, Matthew Clark, Dan'l Dubosh, Louis Doyle, John Erickson, G. T. Faglemont, G. S. Ferguson, G. W. Fitch, Lydia Flaherty, Hanna Flynn, Jas E. Frieden, Nicholas Garadella, Carl Galindo, Santos Galena, James Grant, Miss George Grant, Mrs. George Gregory, Jacob Harris, M. R. Henger, Martin Hill, Miss E. Heller, Fred S. Haynes, Martha Henderson, Mrs. J. Strong Wm. Prop, Reno Hotel Proprietary, Ida Teate, C. Johnson, H. E. Keton, Forrest Doyle, M. J. C. HAGEMAN, P. M.

DONATIONS OF FLOWERS.—The Enterprise, of Wednesday, has this:

Large boxes of beautiful flowers, all in fine order, were received from Reno. These flowers were not ordered by J. C. Hampton or anybody else in this city. They were voluntarily contributed, as will be seen by the following letters which accompanied the gifts:

RENO, Nev., July 12, 1887.
To the Relief Committee, Virginia City:

Please accept these few flowers and make what disposition you wish of them on the graves of the unfortunate miners, whose wives and children have my heartfelt sympathy. Respectfully,

STEPHEN CONNER.

P. S.—Mr. Hugh J. Mohan, of the Reno Gazette, will present them to you.

CONNER.

R. P. M. Kelly, of the Washoe Nurseries, Reno, sent a box of flowers, with the following note:

RENO, Nev., July 12, 1887.

To the Relief Committee, Virginia City:

Please accept, through H. J. Mohan, these few flowers, and place them on the graves of the brave men whose bodies you inter to-day, as an evidence of my sympathy for them. Respectfully,

R. P. M. KELLY.

The foregoing letters speak for themselves, and the generosity of the donors will not be forgotten by our people.

THE RAILROAD SURVEY.—The recent survey of the Central Pacific Railroad made in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Legislature, shows that the company has been paying taxes in Nevada on some three miles more road than it had in the State. It is somewhat remarkable that this error was not discovered by the railroad men, who are supposed to know the exact length of the road.—Silver State.

The railroad did know it, and got Charley Wallace to lobby the bill through the Legislature, making the State pay \$2,500 for the survey.

ELOCUTIONARY AND MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT.—Miss Hitchcock, the elocutionist, assisted by Miss Jennie Berry, will give another of their rare literary and musical entertainment in the Baptist Church, Saturday evening, July 16th. The entertainment given by them on Tuesday was highly spoken of by all who attended. They intend to give an entire change of programme on Saturday evening. Admission 25 cents.

"THE TWO ORPHANS."—The theater was moderately filled last evening to see Miss Georgie Woodthorpe in "The Two Orphans." The Edmonds & Cooper Company is really good and deserves well of play-goers. To-night "Among the Pines" ought to attract a house full, as it is one of Miss Woodthorpe's best impersonations.

LOUISIANA LOTTERY.—The following are the winning numbers in the Louisiana Lottery drawn Tuesday: 11,607 drew the capital prize, 95,441 the second and 15,322, 31,502, 46,936, 1,491, 27,819, 46,165, 83,034 the other large prizes.

George Alfred Townsend comes out with an attack on the private character of Columbus, and asserts that for years he was a lobbyist at the court of Spain, "called by every name under the sun that was vile."

A young man in Saginaw City shaved his head and sat in the front row at a burlesque show.

WERE THE MINERS SACRIFICED?

The San Francisco Call queries: Now that the fate of the imprisoned miners on the Comstock is known, it is fitting that some thought should be bestowed on the cause of their death and on the circumstances which prevented their rescue. It appears they died of exhaustion, heat and hunger in a drift in which they were imprisoned by the outbreak of a fire, caused by carelessness, which cut off their only exit. There was no development of poisonous gas, such as often causes death in coal mines; no such gas is known on the Comstock. The air was rendered unfit to breathe by the combustion of wood. It appears almost certain that the fire was caused by the ignition of a dry timber from the flames of a miner's candle that had been stuck in it. We may here note that a rule prohibiting the sticking of miners' candles into timbers would obviate such an accident hereafter, there are a number of rules on the Comstock of which experience has dictated the propriety, yet which involve more inconvenience than this would.

When the fire broke out, and the men realized their situation, they fought with energy to get out. They extinguished the fire on the east side of the station. They removed a lot of primers for fear of their igniting. When they discovered the cave in the drift they saw that egress was cut off in that direction and they attacked the bulkhead in the old drift in order to get to the mine leading down to the 1700 foot level, which would have enabled them to escape by the Sutro Tunnel. They appear to have divided themselves into two shifts of three men each, and they had provided themselves with axes and shovels. The severe labor soon exhausted them. How long did they keep up the work? That is a question which no one can answer. All that is certain is that there came a time when overcome by the heat, foul air, and possibly want of food (their dinner-pails were empty), they laid down and died. All six bodies were found within a space of twenty feet. One of the men had a watch, which had stopped at 5:25; it is assumed, on what evidence is not stated, that this was 5:25 in the afternoon of the day following the outbreak of the fire. If so, the unfortunate men perished within twenty-four hours of their incarceration.

The fire broke out at about 6 p. m. on the 24th of June, and it soon became evident that the men on the 1500-foot level could only be rescued by connecting that level with the south drift of the Con. Virginia. It was supposed that the two levels were about twenty feet apart. Both were supposed to run to the south line of the Con. Virginia, but the Best & Belcher drift was supposed to be twenty feet below the level of the Con. Virginia drift. By vigorous work it was supposed that this distance could be covered in twelve hours, and high hopes were entertained that the imprisoned miners would be rescued on the 25th. It proved that the distance was far greater than was imagined; the two drifts were not connected till the 9th of July—fourteen days later.

A mere statement of the facts suggests the criticism which will occur to all minds. How was it that the managers of the mines were so ignorant of the relative positions of the underground workings that they fancied they could connect in twelve hours two drifts which, with innumerable relays of shafts and labor unexampled, proved fourteen days apart? The answer to this query is to be found in the first policy of the Comstock managers. The purpose of the managers being to make money in the stocks of the mines, knowledge of the underground workings were scrupulously kept from all but the insiders. No one but the Superintendent and his friends in the direction knew where drifts were being run. Access to the mines was denied even the stockholders. Miners were sworn to secrecy and discharged if they talked. The Superintendent of one mine knew nothing of what was going on in another mine alongside him. The stock operators who controlled the mines worked upon the principle that as far as possible they were to possess an exclusive monopoly of the knowledge of what was going on underground.

The consequence was that when Mr. Patten and Mr. Lyman went to work to connect the two drifts they did not know how far they were apart, or in what direction. It is possible that the lives of six miners have been sacrificed to the law of secrecy which has ruled on the Comstock.

It is time that policy were checked. It is time that daylight were let in upon the whole business of mining on the Comstock. Now that work is being resumed on the whole length of the vein, other fires may occur. Miners who risk their lives are entitled to know what avenues of escape they can find in case of a repetition of the accident of June 24th. Complete underground surveys should be made, and correct maps, giving the course of the workings, should be published for the information of miners. Drifts should be connected so that, in case of fire, miners can go from one mine to another. This policy may deprive operators of a chance of making money at the expense of the public; but it may save lives, and this is rather more important than dickers on the Stock Exchange.

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